NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT MODIFIED PERMIT

PERMIT NO.: WA-002099-1

APPLICANT: CITY OF SUNNYSIDE POTW

818 EAST EDISON AVENUE SUNNYSIDE, WA 98944

The City of Sunnyside POTW has applied for modification of its National Pollutant Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. WA-002099-1 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Chapter 173-220 Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and the Federal Clean Water Act.

Modification consists of establishment of final effluent limits in Condition S1.A.2. of its permit for the facility located at 1338 S. 4th Street, Sunnyside, Washington. All discharges to be in compliance with the Department of Ecology's Water Quality Standards.

The Department has determined to modify the discharge permit to discharge to public waters by establishing final effluent limitations in the permit. This determination is tentative. Final determination will not be made until all comments received pursuant to this notice have been evaluated.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND INFORMATION

The draft final limits page may be viewed at the Department of Ecology (Department) website: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/central_permits.html. The existing application, fact sheet, permit, and other related documents are also available at the Department's Central Regional Office for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., weekdays. To obtain a copy or to arrange to view copies at the Central Regional Office, please call Cindy Huwe at 509/457-7105, e-mail chuw461@ecy.wa.gov, or write to the address below.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed permit. All comments must be submitted by October 7, 2004 (within 30 days of the final date of publication of this notice) to be considered for the final determination. Comments should be sent to: Department of Ecology, Central Regional Office, 15 West Yakima Avenue, Suite 200, Yakima, WA 98902, Attention: Cindy Huwe. E-mail comments should be sent to Cindy Huwe at chuw461@ecy.wa.gov.

Publication date of this Notice is September 7, 2004.

Any interested party may request a public hearing on the proposed permit modification within 30 days of the publication date of this notice. The request for a hearing shall state the interest of the party and the reasons why a hearing is necessary. The request should be sent to the above address. The Department will hold a hearing if it determines that there is significant public interest. If a hearing is to be held, public notice will be published at least 30 days in advance of the hearing date. Any party responding to this notice with comments will be mailed a copy of a hearing public notice.

Please bring this public notice to the attention of persons who you know would be interested in this matter. The Department is an equal opportunity agency. If you have a special accommodation needs, please contact Cindy Huwe at 509/457-7105 or TTY (for the speech and hearing impaired) at 1-800-833-6388.